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Mr. Richard Allen
News reporter

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Mr. Robert S. Young
Freedom of Information Coordinator
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 552).

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I write on behalf of the [redacted] to request a copy of all files in the Central Intelligence Agency indexed or maintained under the name of Northeastern University and all documents retrievable in a search for documents relating in any way to Northeastern. This request includes, but is not limited to, all files or documents relating to past or present contractual arrangements or agreements, or any other relationships -- paid or unpaid, formal or informal, witting or unwitting -- between the CIA and Northeastern or any of its personnel.

By "personnel", I mean any person affiliated with Northeastern, including faculty, teaching assistants, research assistants, administrative officials, undergraduate, graduate or non-credit students, and academic or non-academic staff. "Relationships" includes any activity relating to recruitment, research, collection or dissemination of information, consulting work or carrying out of intelligence operations, as well as activity described by the April, 1976 Report of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities (p. 181, Book I) as "... making introductions for intelligence purposes, intelligence collection while abroad, academic research and writing where CIA sponsorship is hidden."

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As you know, the amended Act provides that if some parts of a file are exempt from release that "reasonably segregable" portions shall be provided. I therefore request that, if you determine that some portions of the requested files or documents are exempt, you provide me immediately with a copy of the remainder of the file or document. I, of course, reserve my right to appeal any such decisions.

If you determine that some or all of the requested information is exempt from release, I would appreciate your advising me as to which exemption(s) you believe covers the information which you are not releasing.

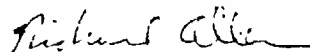
I am prepared to pay costs specified in your regulation for locating the requested files and reproducing them. However, if you estimate the cost will exceed 25 dollars, please notify me.

As you know, the amended Act permits you to reduce or waive the fees if that "is in the public interest because furnishing the information can be considered as primarily benefitting the public." I believe that this request plainly fits that category and ask you to waive any fees.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please telephone me at the above number.

As provided for in the amended Act, I will expect to receive a reply within ten working days.

Sincerely yours,



Richard Allen

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